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Fee for two month extension	230
Publication Fee	
Subtotal Additional fees	\$ 230

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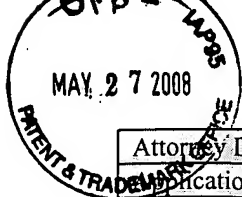
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5 Application No. 10/782,489 Group Art Unit.: 3773
Applicant: Fanton et al. Examiner: Erez, Darwin P.
Filing Date: 02/18/2004
Title: Apparatus and Methods for Clearing Obstructions from Surgical Cutting
Instruments

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REPLY

15 Sir,

This paper is filed in reply to the Notice of Noncompliant Amendment mailed
02/20/2008. Applicants request an extension of two months, i.e. until May 20, 2008, for
filing this Reply. A check for \$230 is attached to pay for this extension (Applicant is a
small entity). Reexamination, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully
20 requested in view of the corrected Amendments section below, the Remarks made
previously, and the Remarks below, which include an election of species, as required
by paragraph 6 of the Office Action mailed 05/31/2007.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page
25 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

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